

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**MAIL STOP RCE**  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
 provides for continued examination of an utility or  
 plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/806,416
Confirmation Number	2263
Filing Date	March 23, 2004
First Named Inventor	Mitsuaki HIROKAWA
Group Art Unit	1723
Examiner Name	Krishnan S. MENON
Matter Number	Q80574
Title	SPIRAL SEPARATION MEMBRANE ELEMENT

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 4, 2007
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
  - iv.  Petition for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

The statutory fee of **\$810.00** is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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Signature John K. Sakurabayashi #47124 Date October 3, 2007